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EP 0 358 279 discloses that in a domestic dish-washing machine, a closed drying system is used, in which the air from the washing container is circulated via a drying device, which can be regenerated by heating up, and from said drying device back into the washing container. The drying device is assigned to the heater for the rinsing water, preferably a flow heater, arranged outside the washing container.

DE 27 16 686 discloses a dishwasher having a washing container relative to which is arranged a heat tube for effecting the condensation of water from steam that passes through during a cutlery or eating utensil drying cycle. The heat tube 15 is regulated by means of the thermal clearing of an inert gas out of an adsorption material 24.

DE 37 41 652 discloses that to dry dishes in domestic dishwashers, use is made of a heat exchanger which is thermally insulated from the washing container and is preferably equipped with a latent-heat accumulator.

JP 6 133915 discloses a process to enhance the drying efficiency by furnishing a magnetron which emits microwaves and makes induction heating of tableware, etc., set in an

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